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For: SEARCHING FOR APPEND POINT IN DATA STORAGE DEVICE

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**June 24, 2004**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 25, 2004 (Paper No. 5), the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application:



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Attached is an AMENDMENT in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ Small-entity status of this application has been established.  
☐ Also attached:


The fee is calculated as shown below:

	CLAIM COUNT	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	12	20	0	x \$ 18 =	0.00
Independent Claims	7	7	0	x \$ 86 =	0.00
First presented multiply dependent claims (\$290)					
Extension of time					
<b>TOTAL FEE DUE</b>					<b>\$ 0.00</b>

- ☐ Credit card authorization form attached.  
☒ **If necessary**, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees not otherwise paid, including application processing, extra claims, and extension fees, to Deposit Account No. 07-1337.

Respectfully submitted,

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